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The Problem: how to get assistance to the displaced people within Rwanda and in refugee camps in Zaire and Burundi.

<u>I. PROBLEM AREAS</u>	<u>Numbers affected</u>
1. Safe Zone	over 1 million
2. RPF-held areas	approx. 600,000 (estimates from 400,000 to 770,000)
3. Northwest	very large numbers, some movement, some trapped populations, full scope unknown
4. Border areas	approx. 150,000 north of Goma, 100,000 in Goma, and crossing the border at 10,000 - 14,000/hour

II. RESOURCES

1. Food for Peace: 98,000 MT commitment, 30% of which is already in the region. Shipments scheduled through early October. 30,000 to 50,000 MT in Mombasa which are currently programmed for other uses, but which can be made available with the concurrence of the affected parties.
2. ICRC: Approximately 40,000 MT
3. WFP: 44,000 MT in Angola and additional 4,000 MT in Uganda. Anticipating bringing present stores in via Kampala. Would like to buy food regionally, (South Africa, for example) but needs cash to do so.
4. DOD: 500,000 Humanitarian Daily Rations (HDRs) in Europe, available if someone can get them to Rwanda

III. MONEY

1. If ERMA is approved, \$20MM becomes available. If not, there would be only \$5MM.
2. DART: \$7.3MM of original \$10MM remaining, and may only be used to provide direct assistance on the ground.
3. DOD: Still trying to sort out whether they may tap Humanitarian Assistance Program funds (HAPF) now that the remaining \$7-8MM in emergency relief funds (DERF) originally budgeted for use in Rwanda has been earmarked for Haiti. If we do get access to additional funds, they will be available for use immediately.

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IV. PEOPLE AND OPERATIONS

Major Players: ICRC, UNHCR, UNDHA, CRS, WFP, MSF

People on the ground

- UNDHA (Nairobi, Goma, Bujumbura, and Kabale)
- 8 DART members
- 1 REDSO (Nairobi)
- 1 DOD
- 1 Bujumbura
- 1-2 Kampala

V. IMMEDIATE ACTION

1. ICRC: an airlift assistance request to USG still in the works. On Saturday they will move medicine, shelter, food and trucks from Nairobi to Goma
2. DART: reporting delay of food trucks coming from Ethiopia
3. Push for release of ERMA funds
4. Continue to work to determine whether DOD funds are available
5. Pursue how to get HDRs available for distribution
6. Explore option of regional food purchases, perhaps with OFDA funds
7. Pursue food grant offer from South Africa
8. Task Embassy Bujumbura with finding a way to get truckloads of goods out of Burundi. Determine what, exactly, the problem is (bureaucratic/paperwork, political, security of truckers entering the French zone?), and work with the appropriate authorities to get things moving

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